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In re Application of:)
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Gary B. Bertram)
Serial No. 09/809,760)
Filing Date: October 14, 2000)
For Corona Wire Tensioning)
Mechanism)
Examiner: David A. Vanore
Group Art Unit No. 2881

ELECTION WITH TRAVERSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the office communication mailed on July 2, 2003:

Claims 1-22 are pending in the application, and claims 1-22 have been subjected to a election requirement as being directed to subcombinations

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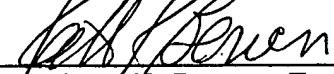
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disclosed as useable together in a single combination. Applicants elect Invention I, claims 1-8, and traverse on the grounds that this is not a proper application of MPEP 806.05(d) Subcombination Useable Together.

The Examiner has stated that Inventions I and II are related as subcombinations disclosed as useable together in a single combination. However, the Examiner has put claims 1-8 in subcombination I; claims 9-22 in subcombination II; and not specified any claims as being drawn to the single combination in which these subcombinations are supposedly useable together. Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner has not specified any claims as the single combination, or any disclosure as the single combination because this section of the MPEP is not applicable. Claims 1-8 and claims 9-22 are not subcombinations disclosed as useable together in a single combination.

Applicants respectfully request that the examiner withdraw the Restriction requirement, and examine the application as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,



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